# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# CULTURE
# LOK SABHA

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DECLINE OF ART AND CULTURE
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**Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether it is a fact that the importance of Indian Art and Culture is on the decline;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the steps taken by Government to spread the Indian Culture in India and foreign countries; and

(d) the funds provided for the same during the last three years till date?

## Answer

MINISTER FOR TOURISM & CULTURE(SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Cultural performances, exhibitions and other promotional activities are undertaken by various institutions and organizations under the Ministry of Culture and other organizations like Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) etc.

(d) The expenditure of the Ministry of Culture during the last three years is as follows:

(Rs in Crores)

| 2004-05 | 2005-06 | 2006-07 |
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| 600.20 | 670.90 | 715.58 |